

DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Abe Rosner on 10/6/2010.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 42, line 9, after the term "water/(v)" please insert ---organic---

In claim 45, line 5, after the phrase "consisting of (iv)" please insert —organic—

In claim 45, line 9, after the term "water/(iv)" please insert —organic—

Please delete claim 49.

Conclusion

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:
3. The applicant has correctly noted that claims 42 and 45 require the term "organic" in conjunction with the term "acid" such that the claims read "organic acid." These changes have been made to match the scope of the independent claims for which they depend. Further, claim 49 does not match the scope of the parent claims as the applicant uses claim 49 to define the acid as inorganic acids. As this claim does not match the scope of the parent claim, it has been deleted in this examiners amendment. The claims are allowable for those same reasons set forth in the previous notice of allowability dated 7/7/2009.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gregory E. Webb whose telephone number is 571-272-1325. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00-17:30 (m-f).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Harold Pyon can be reached on 571-272-1498. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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